

THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST



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~~TOP SECRET~~

1. India-China

a. We still have little solid information on the extent and nature of the Chinese withdrawal, although some is apparently going on in the NEFA area.

b. Yesterday, the Indians were saying that there had been no withdrawal in Ladakh but there had been some activity back of the line.

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2. USSR

a. The more we look at the plan for reorganization of economic and political structures in the USSR, the more we are convinced that it will preoccupy a fair proportion of the leadership over the next several months.

b. Very few economic administrators will escape reshuffling and many will be physically moved. For the next few months, at least, the USSR will clearly not be in an optimum stance for new departures which would require full utilization of economic resources.

3. France

a. As for French nuclear policies--
no change.

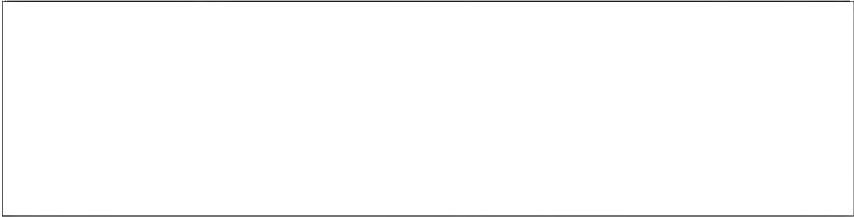


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4. Congo

a. Belgians in Elisabethville staged a demonstration last night against recent Belgian moves to pressure Katanga. They stoned the Belgian consulate and UN cars, and they shouted slogans damning Spaak.

b. Our latest on Kongolo in north Katanga is that Katangan forces pillaged the town and then left it on Saturday. Congolese army troops now hold the town.



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5. Taiwan Strait

a. Since October we have noted an increase of shipping into several East China ports ~~between the Taiwan Strait and Shanghai~~--particularly into Wenchow (150 miles north of Foochow).

b. Cargoes to Wenchow--now at the rate of about 100,000 tons a month--are 30-50 percent higher than during similar periods of 1960 and 1961. They are still ten percent below the level we noted during the Fukien troop buildup of last June.

c. We have no good explanation for this activity [redacted]

[redacted], we cannot completely rule out some military significance. [redacted]

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6. Yemen

a. A "hold-the-phone" message from Ambassador Hart in Jidda suggests that a considerable change in the military situation in Yemen is [redacted]

"under preparation."

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b. We have no real clue as to what this news might be, but Hart suggests that it will make the royalist position appear more favorable.

c. On Sunday, Badr announced through the Saudi radio that he had put four tribal "armies" on the march [redacted]

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B. Saudi Arabia Saturday night, King Saud changed his destination from Austria to Switzerland, planning then to arrive last night.

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